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Director of Central Intelligence

17 May 1949

Executive

"Safe House" (Project 25X1A)

1. Attached is an estimate from the Services Officer, concurred in by I&S and the Asst. Directors concerned for the acquisition, rehabilitation and improvement of real property to be utilized as a "safe house" in connection with CIA operations. The estimate is a maximum figure and actual expenditures would be several thousands of dollars less after negotiations have been completed.

2. Recommend approval for expenditure of unvouchered funds to the extent necessary for this project but not in excess of the total estimate of \$65,000 under circumstances indicated below:

- a. 25X1A
- b. That the Services Officer act as intermediate agent for procurement.
- c. That the Asst. Director for Operations be initially charged with supervision and maintenance of the property and with coordinating its use with covert Asst. Directors and the Chief of I&S.
- d. That the Assistant Director for Operations submit prior to 30 June 1949 a project covering costs of operation of a "safe house" for the fiscal year 1950 and that such costs for the fiscal year 1951 be included in our budget for unvouchered funds.

3. Appropriate property records will be maintained by the covert Deputy Services Officer.

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APPROVED: MAY 17 1949

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CC: Budget Officer
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